

GOVERNMENT/INDUSTRY AERONAUTICAL CHARTING FORUM
Instrument Procedures Subgroup
History Record

FAA Control # 99-02-217

SUBJECT: Departure Procedure (DP) Identification

BACKGROUND: During a meeting between AFS-420, AVN-100, AVN-22A, ATO-120, ATC Pass Representative, and AIR on 8/12-13/99, the provisions of Order 8260.46, paragraphs 8b(1) and (2) were discussed. Currently, DP's are parenthetically identified by equipment requirements: e.g., PILOT NAV or VECTOR. The consensus of the meeting was to offer the two recommendations noted in the initial discussion below to the ACF for feedback.

INITIAL DISCUSSION (Meeting 99-02): Dave Eckles, AFS-420, presented this issue for consideration. During the re-write of Order 8260.46, *Instrument Departure procedures (DP) Program*, the issue of including equipment requirements in the DP title was discussed. Current naming convention requires "VECTOR" or "PILOT NAV" in parenthesis as a part of the DP title. Two options surfaced: 1) Delete these items from the title altogether. A review of the procedure by the aircrew prior to departure should make the type departure and navigation requirements obvious. Elimination would also eliminate some chart clutter. 2) If option 1 is not acceptable, the title should be expanded to include those procedures that are a combination of radar vectors and pilot navigation; e.g., "VECTOR/NAV" or NAV/VECTOR". It was agreed to present this issue to the Instrument Procedures Subgroup for consensus. Wally Roberts, ALPA, stated that he initially favored option 2; however, option 1 is acceptable as long as the text is clear relative to the radar vector issue. John Moore, NOS, stated that he believed option 1 is acceptable. Bill Hammett, AFS-420 (ISI), noted that military DP titles have never included equipment annotations. It was agreed to present the issue to the charting portion of the ACF for total ACF consensus. **Action: AFS-420.**

MEETING 00-01: Dave Eckles, AFS-420, presented a status document and briefing on this issue. As requested at the last Subgroup meeting, this issue was addressed to both the TERPS and charting portions for consensus. Both groups agreed that the terms "VECTOR" or "PILOT NAV" need not be included in DP identification. The consensus was accepted by AFS-420 and included in the rewrite of Order 8260.46A. Wally Roberts', ALPA, recommendation that the words "...for radar vector..." be clearly included in the DP route description when vectors are required was also accepted by AFS-420. Dave recommended that the issue be closed. The group agreed. **Closed.**
